Supply of power by DVC through PTC

1873. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No.4910 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7.5.2003 and state:

(a) whether in 2002-2003, DVC has started exporting power through Power Trading Corporation to the Northern, Western and Southern regions of the country;

(b) if so, to what extent DVC has agreed to supply power to these States during 2003-2004; and

(c) what are the main DVC's projects at present for implementation and their status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) entered into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 29.05.2003 with Power Trading Corporation (PTC) for supply of upto 100 MW peak power (6 hours) and upto 300 MW off-peak power (18 hours) to the States of Northern, Western and Southern Regions during 2003-2004.

(c) At present, the project *viz.* MejiaTPS Extn. Unit No. 4 (1 x210 MW) located at District Bankura, West Bengal is under implementation. The unit is scheduled for commissioning by September, 2004.

T & D Losses

†1874. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI LAJPAT RAI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Transmission and Distribution losses of electricity are very high in the country;

(b) if so, the estimated loss in 2003;

(c) whether this loss may be reduced by eliminating technical faults; and